

Delaware DOL Secy. Gilliam-Johnson visits Kent, Sussex farms in review of Migrant Seasonal Farm Worker program

October 10, 2017

As part of its ongoing work monitoring and tracking the state's Foreign Labor Certification and Migrant Seasonal Farm Worker activities, officials from the Delaware Department of Labor paid a recent visit to Kent and Sussex County farms enrolled in the programs.



DOL Secretary Dr. Patrice Gilliam-Johnson was joined by Deputy Secretary Karryl McManus, Division of Employment and Training Director Stacey Laing, DET Administrator Sherese Brewington-Carr, Keyla Rivero Rodriquez, State Monitor Advocate and Camille Nieves, Program Coordinator of the Foreign Labor Certification Program as they toured the various areas of the operation from field to factory.



The Foreign Labor Certification also known as Alien Labor Certification provides assistance to the residents & businesses of Delaware as well as foreign workers.

The Foreign Labor Certification Unit/State Workforce Agency assists employers in meeting requirements for recruitment of alien workers and

ensures that regulatory processes are followed to document that American workers are not available.

In addition, the program ensures the employment of the foreign worker will not adversely affect the wages and working conditions of the U.S. workers that are employed.

Foreign Labor Certification programs

assist U.S. employers in hiring foreign workers on either a temporary or permanent basis to fill jobs essential to the U.S. economy.

Certification may be obtained in cases in which it can be demonstrated that there are insufficient qualified U.S. workers available and willing to

perform the work at wages that meet or exceed the prevailing wage paid for that occupation in the area of intended employment.

This season, Delaware saw 25 agricultural operations

registered in the programs.

For more information on this program visit <https://det.delawareworks.com/flc/>

ABOUT THE DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

The Delaware Department of Labor connects people to jobs, resources, monetary benefits, work



place protections and labor market information to promote financial independence, workplace justice and a strong economy. The department is made up of four divisions:

[Division of Unemployment Insurance](#)

[Division of Employment and Training](#)

[Division of Industrial Affairs](#)

[Division of Vocational Rehabilitation](#)

[Office of Occupational and Labor Market Information](#)

The combined efforts of these divisions and offices support the employment-related needs of nearly 400,000 Delaware

workers and more than 20,000 businesses throughout the state.

CONTACT:

Leon Tucker, Director of Communications

Delaware Department of Labor

302.761.8002 office

302.530.5770 Cell

Leon.Tucker@delaware.gov

<http://dol.delaware.gov/>